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DIRECTORS MEETING OF FRUIT GROWERS

Berry Men Elect New Officers. Report Receipt of \$455,650 for Crop of 1919.

The annual meeting of the directors of the Southwest Missouri Fruit Growers Union was held in the Assembly Room of the First National Bank of Monett Tuesday afternoon with the following directors present.

Purdy—C. M. Bennett, U. S. Lane, James McIntosh, M. F. Terry, J. E. Chastain, A. D. Neal.

Wheaton—W. P. Graber, W. J. Narrell, C. T. Biggs and C. O. Saunders.

Cassville—J. B. Hopkins and W. W. Witt.

Monett—E. A. O'Dwyer, Will Conroy and B. W. Withers.

In addition to the above authorized delegates many visitors were present from the different associations.

The report of the auditing committee showed the Union had handled the past season 77,648 cases of strawberries which had been sold by them for the sum of \$455,650.67 or an average of \$5.86 per case.

The entire expense of the Union for the past season was only thirty seven hundredths of one per cent.

The following officers were elected to serve for the coming season.

President—J. D. Biggs, Wheaton, Mo.

Vice-President—B. W. Withers, Monett, Mo.

Secretary-Treasurer—Philip B. Davis, Monett, Mo.

Sales Manager—E. A. O'Dwyer, Monett, Mo.

Several very interesting talks were made and it was pointed out that the plan of this association follows is the only way the grower receives all his berries sell for, less the expense of selling and the selling expense is much less with this association than any other organization operating in this district, consequently the grower receives more for his berries.

Geo. Rice appeared before the meeting and explained a movement that was on foot to interest Tulsa capitalists to erect a canning and preserving plant in the district to take care of not only the over-ripe and wet strawberries but to consume anything the farmer would raise that could be canned and a resolution was passed by the meeting endorsing the movement and assuring the parties that every assistance possible would be given them.

Mrs. Lon Perry has accepted a position as bookkeeper at Walsh's grocery store.

Charles Dwyer, of Tulsa, Okla., is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Dwyer.

N. H. Tracy and family have moved from 710 Scott street to 704 Frisco avenue.

W. F. Durnil went to Muskogee, Okla., Tuesday evening to look after his store.

Mrs. Floyd McGlaun, of Verona, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Eckman.

Misses Jessie Hall and Catherine Bethel have returned home from a visit in Kansas City.

George Schafnitt, of South Monett, has bought the R. L. Woods property at 209 County Road, and moved there Tuesday.

J. L. Hobbs returned home Wednesday morning from Chicago, Ill., where he attended the funeral of his oldest brother, Wm. F. Hobbs.

Mrs. S. Blennerhassett, of Goodman, has been visiting her son W. S. Blennerhassett, and wife, and left Wednesday morning for Joplin to spend several days before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McWilliams and two children who have been visiting Mrs. A. Wallace, left Sunday morning for Colorado where they will make their home. Mr. McWilliams has been employed in the bank at Picher, Okla., and will hold a similar position in Colorado.

FRISCO FIREMAN IS FATALLY HURT

F. E. Wells, a Frisco fireman, died at Fayetteville, Ark., at 7:40 o'clock Tuesday morning following injuries received near that city an hour earlier when his head was badly crushed as he was cleaning the ash pan of a locomotive.

While he was at work on the ground on the fireman's side of the engine, he asked the engineer to move the locomotive a couple of feet. This the engineer did. A few minutes later, upon going to the fireman's side of the engine, the engineer discovered Wells lying on the ground unconscious the shaker bar having come in contact with his head.

The fireman was rushed to Fayetteville for treatment, but died in the depot there before he could be taken to the hospital. His mother at Chester, Okla., and a brother at Sapulpa were notified. The young man had a run from Ft. Smith, Ark., to Monett, and was well known in this town.

REBEKAH DISTRICT ASSEMBLY AT PURDY

Miss Ethel A. Langford, Vice President State Assembly, Gives Instructions.

The Twelfth Rebekah District Assembly, which convened at Purdy, Wednesday, November 26, was a decided success in the point of attendance and interest. The meeting opened at 2 o'clock that afternoon and closed at a late hour that night.

The assembly was called to order by Mrs. Lena Meador, of Cassville, district president. After roll call of officers, Mrs. Florence Ragain, of Purdy, gave the welcome address and Mrs. Bessie Brito, of Peirce City, gave the response.

The usual routine of business was then transacted. Miss Ethel Langford, vice president of the Rebekah State Assembly, held a very helpful school of instruction, interspersed with much good advice. She told of her visit to the I. O. O. F. Home at Liberty and of how much joy and sunshine could be put into the lives of the 124 children inmates of the Home, with so little effort on our part.

The election of officers for 1920 resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Grace Suefert, Peirce City; vice president Mrs. Ida Hadley, Cassville; warden, Mrs. Clara Robb, Wentworth; secretary, Mrs. Moss McCaslin, Monett; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Ragain, Purdy.

At 5:30 o'clock the lodge adjourned to meet in the K. P. hall at 7 o'clock.

At the evening session the Peirce City degree staff was present and put on the initiatory work, which was beautifully done and highly complimented by those present.

For "Good of the Order," several of the Brothers, who are noted chiefly for being "absent" were called upon for talks and without exception they all "fessed up" and promised to do better.

Miss Langford then gave a very inspiring talk, setting forth the principles of friendship, love and truth, the foundation of the order.

Before closing lodge the Noble Grand of Purdy lodge spoke of the kindness of the Peirce City staff in coming out in such bad weather and called upon Purdy lodge to express by a rising vote their appreciation of the same.

SECRETARY.

GAVE BUNKING PARTY

Miss Isabell Kruger, 610 Euclid avenue, entertained with a bunking party Tuesday evening. The guests were Misses Mary Maher, Mildred Schofield and Ethel Campbell.

GULICK-ADKINS

Oliver J. Gulick, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gulick, and Mrs. Adah Adkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sanders of Ritchey, were quietly married Monday evening, November 17, at Carthage, Mo., by Rev. H. P. Foeter pastor of the South Methodist church. They will make their home in Monett and are extended the best wishes of their many friends.

TEACHERS LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

J. D. Eliff, of Columbia, is Chairman. Superintendent Capps of Monett Is Member.

Guy H. Capps, superintendent of the public schools of Monett, has been appointed as a member of the legislative committee of the State Teachers Association. This is one of the important committees of the organization. Practically all of the important school laws of Missouri passed during the past twenty years have been secured through the efforts of this committee.

Prof. J. D. Eliff, of Columbia, is the chairman. Other members are Hon. S. A. Baker, State Superintendent of public schools, Eugene Fair, of Kirksville, Miss Genevieve Turk, of Kansas City and C. E. Burton, of Piedmont.

The most pressing need of Missouri schools at the present time is larger revenue. Unless the teachers of the state can be paid salaries commensurate with their training and the requirements of their work, it will not be possible to secure teachers to keep the schools going. Therefore, one of the chief aims of the legislative committee is to secure the passage of measures that will provide greater school revenues.

A state-wide tax for schools will be advocated; for this will tend to equalize the burdens and prevent some towns and cities, such as St. Louis, from running on a low tax rate, while others, like Monett, are voting a school tax two or three times as high, and still have insufficient revenue.

Mrs. W. L. Dunagan is visiting relatives at Neodesha, Kansas.

Sig Solomon attended the Joplin Consistory No. 3, at Joplin, Thursday.

Mrs. Rose Cook, of Lawton, Okla., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Andrews.

Misses Laura and Louise Rice visited Mrs. C. C. Mills in Springfield, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Jordan spent Thanksgiving with Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Jordan at Joplin.

L. B. Durnil returned to Picher, Okla., Saturday morning, after a few days visit in Monett.

Mrs. B. L. Anderson and daughter Muriel spent Saturday in Peirce City, with Earl Conner and family.

Dr. A. Jones operated upon Miss Vella Counts, of Purdy, Thursday, for diseased tonsils and adenoids.

Dr. C. T. Dusenbury and daughter, Mrs. Wm. E. Gray were in Mt. Vernon, Friday on business.

Amos Hagler and family have moved to Neodesha, Kansas, where Mr. Hagler is employed by the Standard Oil Company.

Mrs. Ben Rundle and children went to Neodesha, Kansas Saturday morning to visit over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Card.

John Clinton, freight conductor, has been re-instated after eight months lay off. He will go to work Monday on the Northern Division.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Charles, of Hugo, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Charles, of Sapulpa, Okla., and S. H. Charles, of Oklahoma City, spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. O. Barker.

The east end of the parcel post station is being moved to east end of the round house and will be used for yard office. The west end will be left where it is and will be used for parcel post.

Miss Zell Counts, daughter of Will Counts of Purdy, was operated upon Thursday by Dr. D. E. Miller and Dr. A. Jones, for diseased tonsils and adenoids. She is at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Julia Freeland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Doyle and baby of Atlanta, Ga., who have been visiting the past month with Mrs. Doyle's brother, Chas. R. Jordan, and wife and her parents, Rev. J. R. Jordan, of Joplin, departed Saturday morning for home.

MONETT ORGANIZED FOR SEAL DRIVE

Chairmen for Different Business Departments are Appointed.

Dr. C. T. Dusenbury, chairman of the Barry county Red Cross Christmas seal campaign, has appointed his committees for Monett as follows:

Engineers and Firemen, Harry Davies; car men and coach cleaners, H. C. Wear and Tom McMillen; switchmen, Harry Fleming; freight depot men, telegraph office and claim department, Earl Aulgur; groceries, bakeries and commission houses, Harry A. Matthews; express messengers, Finis E. Johnson; railway mail service, W. L. Bolton and Wm. E. Gray; section men, Roy Stolle; garages, J. W. Solomon; dry goods, clothing and tailoring, Leon Wainwright; drug stores, E. L. Hagler; doctors and dentists, Dr. E. W. Russey; real estate and insurance, W. S. Perry; hotels, restaurants and rooming houses, J. L. Greer; jewelers and optometrists, F. P. Kennedy; lawyers and post office employees, J. E. Sater; butchers, E. Folger; banks, F. P. Sizer; lumber yards, Ed Salzer and E. W. Pfau; ex-saloon keepers, Billie Meagher; shoe shops, Harry Lloyd; furniture and second hand stores, H. I. Bradford.

These are appointed as chairman of their different sections and they may select assistants as they see fit. The public is asked to give freely to this cause.

COUNTIES GOING OVER THE TOP IN RED SEAL DRIVE

Dr. C. T. Dusenbury, chairman of the Barry county Red Cross Christmas seal campaign, received a letter this morning from Dr. Walter McMiller, of Springfield, saying that he was receiving telegrams every day from all over the counties and that they were giving freely to the drive. Greene county has raised \$40,000 which is equivalent to 50 per capita for the county. Other counties are also over subscribing their quota, and Dr. Dusenbury hopes that Barry county will come up to their quota, if not over subscribe it.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Bunch and three children, who have been visiting relatives in Monett, have returned to their home at Hulbert, Okla.

Miss Glenna McCoy was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Pelham Sunday, enroute from Neodesha, Kan., to her home at Hugo, Okla.

Mrs. W. B. Westenhaver and daughters, Misses Opal and Loraine Kring, spent Saturday in Springfield.

WANTED—A man with wife or small family to work on a farm by the year four miles S. W. of Monett, house, garden and chicken house furnished. Loren P. Withers, Monett, Missouri. w14 t2

G. Duff, of Cleveland, Ohio, salesman for Wooltex suits, was in town on business, Tuesday.

Miss Goldia Medlin, who has been visiting relatives near Monett, returned to Springfield Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Howard of Bolivar, came Saturday morning and will spend next week with relatives in Monett.

Andy Hawkins is making several improvements in his residence on Frisco Avenue. An Ideal Vacuum furnace has just been installed.

A. P. Smart, who has been local manager for the Durnil Dry Goods store at Neodesha, Kansas, came Friday evening to take charge of the Durnil Dry Goods store, Mr. Durnil having sold his store at Neodesha. Mr. Durnil will divide his time between the store at Muskogee and the store here.

Mrs. Fannie Blankenship, who several years ago, was owner of the Broadway Hotel, passed through Monett Monday morning enroute to Forepaw, Okla. Mrs. Blankenship has been an invalid for over five years—has been unable to walk until recently. She is now able to walk with the aid of crutches.

A NEW CURB PLACED ON AUTOMOBILE THIEVES

The Farmer and Stockman explains the new law in regard to stealing automobiles as follows:

"I am sure my readers will be much pleased to learn that the national motor vehicle bill, designed to reduce the theft of automobiles, has become a law. This measure makes it an offense, punishable by a fine of \$5,000 or a prison term of five years, to steal a motor car in one state and drive it into another. A motor car is now a part of interstate commerce the same as the railroads and subject to federal statutes.

"The stealing of automobiles has become an organized business, conducted by gangs of clever criminals, and no section of the country has suffered more from their depredations than the grain belt.

"The per cent of stolen cars recovered in these cities varied from three-fourths to less than half, Kansas City being the most unfortunate with a percentage of but 46. That car stealing is increasing is shown by a comparison of the record in Kansas City for October 1918, when 119 cars were taken, with that of October 1919, when the number had increased to 128. As that city has 30,000 automobiles, thieves are now taking five per cent of them annually.

"That the theft of automobiles in the smaller towns and rural sections is equally alarming there is little doubt, though the figures are not available. The rapid increase in this class of thieving is not surprising when the ease with which it can be accomplished is considered. Whereas other stolen property must be transported a stolen car can be taken away under its own power and very rapidly, too. The large number of cars in use makes recovery difficult to another state. This is the method used by the gang working in the grain belt states, the cars stolen in Minnesota, for example, being sold in Iowa, and Iowa cars taken to Missouri or South Dakota.

"It is this practice which the new federal law seeks to curb, and the heavy penalty provided for transporting cars across a state line should lessen the number of thefts. An automobile is no longer a luxury but a necessity, and car owners are entitled to every protection which the government can provide. In pioneer days, the horse thief was regarded as the most dangerous and contemptible of thieves and the auto thief is in the same class. The farmer today is suffering almost as much from the latter as his father did from the former."

Miss Catherine Carnes was called to Neosho to nurse a case of sickness.

Miss Gladys Jeffries is assisting in the Sanders ten cent store during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Goodwin and Mrs. Harold Goodwin visited in Springfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. Jessie Lucas, of Tulsa, Okla., came Sunday night to care for her mother, Mrs. E. H. Weems who has been ill, but was reported better Wednesday morning.

Mrs. J. E. Barnhardt, of Dallas, Tex., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Waite, and other relatives in the city, left Wednesday morning for her home. Her sister, Mrs. E. E. Johnson, accompanied her as far as Joplin.

Mrs. John Stow and children were called to Garfield, Ark., Monday by the critical illness of Mr. Stow's sister, Mrs. Laura McKinley. Her illness was caused from grief over the death of her son, Peter McKinley at Reno, Nevada, who was operated upon for appendicitis and died shortly after. The remains will be taken to his home at Garfield and will be buried Sunday afternoon. He was fine young man and was a teacher in the University at Reno, and soon to have been promoted to head of the college. His death is a great grief to his relatives. Mrs. Stow and children returned home Wednesday but will return to Garfield, Sunday, to attend the funeral.

CITIZENS MUST BURN TRASH IN CONTAINER

Loose Paper and Refuse Will Not Be Allowed to Clutter Streets and Alleys.

The city council, at their meeting, Tuesday, passed an ordinance whereby the citizens in the fire district of the town will not be allowed to burn or dump refuse in the alleys. The new ordinance requires them to burn all trash, paper, straw, etc., in a metal container.

In addition to the unsightly appearance of our alleys caused by the blowing about of paper, etc., there was a great fire risk. An ordinance of the nature of the one just passed had been in contemplation, but was hurried up by the threat of an insurance man to cancel insurance unless the business houses were more careful about taking care of refuse about the premises.

APPOINTED J. V. DYSART'S SUCCESSOR

The Barry county court met, Monday, and in addition to their other business they appointed J. A. Jackson as successor to J. V. Dysart, deceased, as constable of Monett township.

POSTPONED PARTY

The party to have been given by Mrs. Guinney's class of the Christian Sunday school for Miss Blanche Blakeslee's class has been postponed on account of cold weather and fuel shortage.

A CORRECTION

In the account of the confession of Caves, the restaurant man, arrested here for attempted murder of a man in Illinois, The Times gave credit for the arrest to the wrong officer. City Marshal R. A. Gardner and deputy Ras Matthews made the arrest here at the request of Mr. Travis, the railroad secret service man.

Conserve the coal supply.

Do your Christmas Red Cross seal buying early.

And it's the other fellow's business, of course, that is nonessential.—St. Louis Times.

If the business men will do their Christmas advertising early the Christmas shopping will start at the same time. Do your Christmas advertising and shopping early.

Industries, including the schools, which are one of the greatest industries of St. Louis, are rapidly reaching the point where they must either coal up or shut up.—Globe Democrat.

Oklahoma capitalists will be here this week to look over the situation in regard to a contemplated canning and preserving factory at this place. If the prospects are favorable they will establish an industry which will be far ahead of anything Monett has ever had. They plan to preserve strawberries and take care of other fruit which would otherwise go to waste. It is estimated that 200 families would be employed and the capitalists propose to build houses for their employees, which they will either rent to them or sell on easy monthly payments. Thousands of dollars worth of berries and other fruit go to waste each year. Conservation of the fruit crop will mean millions to Ozark fruit growers. Monett is well located to be the center of a number of industries and a favorable report from the capitalists is confidently expected. One of the men who will be here to look over the ground is Mr. Page, who built the town of Sand Springs, Okla., with 15,000 inhabitants, built a railroad to it and then established an orphan home with 300 children. These men do business on a large scale and their favorable action on the proposition of a preserving plant here will mean great things for Monett's future.